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## PATENT

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## AMENDMENTS

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. - 13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) ~~The method of claim 1, wherein~~ A method, comprising:  
sensing an intruder within a predetermined vicinity of a Free Space Optical  
Communication (FSOC) system; and

~~14.~~ reducing an emitted power of the FSOC system to a non-zero level, wherein:  
the intruder is sensed via a capacitive proximity sensor.

15. - 16. (Canceled)

17. (Currently Amended) ~~The system of claim 15, wherein~~ A system comprising:  
a Free Space Optical Communication (FSOC) subsystem; and  
a sensor adapted to detect an intruder within a predetermined vicinity of the FSOC  
subsystem; and  
~~17.~~ a switch adapted to reduce an emitted power of the FSOC subsystem to a non-zero level,  
said switch coupled to said sensor, wherein:  
the sensor is a capacitive proximity sensor.

18. - 20. (Canceled)